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SUBJECT: UNICEF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM 4 -
ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRY TRANSPORT OPERATIONS FOR RURAL HEALTH
AND OTHER SERVICES E/ICEF/L.1301

1. SUMMARY. THE BOARD AGREED TO THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMEN-
DATIONS IN SUBJECT REPORT AND AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT THEM, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE COMMENTS
AND VIEWS OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. END OF SUMMARY.

2. THE REPORT WAS INTRODUCED BY SUPPLY CHIEF (WITTRIN)
WHO RESTATED RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN THE REPORT.

3. COMMENTS WERE GENERALLY FAVORABLE. DELS FROM POLAND
AND INDONESIA EMPHASIZED USE OF TWO-WHEEL VEHICLES. DEL
FROM NIGERIA POINTED OUT THAT THESE VIEHCLES WERE NOT POPULAR
AMONG WOMEN WORKERS AND SUGGESTED BUSES AS AN ALTERNATIVE.
DELS FROM RECIPIENT COUNTRIES INCLUDING PERU, TURKEY,
PHILIPPINES, AND INDIA GENERALLY AGREED WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
AND THE DOCUMENTING OF THE NEED FOR TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE.

4. DEL FROM USSR WAS PLEASED WITH THE ANALYSIS AND THE CON-
CRETE DATA OFFERED BUT STATED THAT TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE SHOULD
BE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED SO AS NOT TO BE WASTEFUL.

5. DELS FROM DONOR COUNTRIES, INCLUDING GERMANY, CANADA,
SWEDEN, UK, AND FRANCE WERE DIVIDED AS TO THE DEGREE THAT
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UNICEF SHOULD SUPPORT TRAINING AND/OR MAINTENANCE EFFORTS.

SWITZERLAND STRONGLY OPPOSED DRIVER TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE.

6. US DEL INDICATED THAT THIS REPORT WITH GOOD RECOMMENDATIONS DOES NOT DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE POLICY ISSUE OF THE PERCENTAGE OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURE FOR VEHICULAR SUPPORT VERSUS OTHER PROGRAM ELEMENTS.

7. ALL DELEGATIONS STATED THEIR DESIRE TO SEE THE PROGRESS REPORT ON THIS ISSUE IN 1975.

8. THE BOARD ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN HIS COMMENTS ON THE REPORT (E/ICEF/L.1302) THE BOARD:

(A) AGREES IN PRINCIPLE TO THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT PRESENTED IN CHAPTER 3 AND SUMMARIZED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE REPORT;

(B) AUTHORIZES THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CARRY THEM OUT TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE COMMENTS AND VIEWS OF BOARD MEMBERS IN DISCUSSING THE REPORT.

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